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## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action, dated May 12, 2003 (Paper No. 6) for the above-identified application in which the Examiner set a three month shortened statutory period for response which expired on August 12, 2003. Accordingly, a three month petition for an extension of time up through November 12, 2003 is respectfully requested. Entry of the following Amendment and Remarks, without prejudice or disclaimer, is respectfully requested.